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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I am one the many fiber customers that companies like AT&T and Verizon claim do not exist. I currently pay for and enjoy gigabit ethernet and telephone service delivered by Sonic.net in San Francisco California. It is IMPERATIVE that you uphold access to the marketplace for companies like Sonic to compete for business. Allowing AT&T and Verizon to dictate your oversight is antithetical to:

Capitalism  
Competition  
Freedom of choice  
Innovation  
Free and open markets.

Your 1st priority as members of the FCC is to the American people and not to these behemoth telecom companies. For decades I endured the shady business practices and 3rd rate service of companies like AT&T and Comcast. The only reason? Because for decades, they were the ONLY choice for cellular and internet access in my city. It was either; pay them or not have access.

If this was the case in a city like San Francisco, who's backyard is the epicenter of tech innovation, imagine those in more rural areas of this country. Therefore, I posit that there is not a single legitimate nor valid reason to prevent American consumers from having access to true competition in this market. If the AT&T's of the world want access to consumers, let them compete for our business. Do NOT be the entity that forces us into their marketshare by bowing to political pressure from AT&T/Verizon, etc.

Sonic.net has been one of the finest providers I have ever used. Their service and technology is best in class and their customer service is a vastly superior to AT&T and Comcast. Losing the ability to "choose" them is completely anti American. Do the right thing for the people of this country and support Bridge 2 Broadband and DO NOT provide monopolistic advantages to large telecoms. Thank you for your time, service and consideration.

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